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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

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1. (Currently Amended) A flexible-distribution-device used-in-a-base station for receiving

a transmitted signal from a mobile devicerake receivers distribution to receive a transmitted

signal emitting from a mobile device, comprising:

a master processing unit; for assigning an appropriate number of rake receivers for

receiving-said-transmitted-signals; and

a plurality offirst processing unitunits connected with saidthe master processing unit,

each processing unit comprising:

a plurality of first rake receivers for receiving saidthe transmitted signal-and outputting a

recovered signal-through-a-recovery-process; and

a <u>first</u> detecting unit for receiving saidthe transmitted signal and outputting a <u>first</u>

detection signal; and

a second processing unit connected with the master processing unit, comprising:

a plurality of second rake receivers for receiving the transmitted signal; and

a second detecting unit for receiving the transmitted signal and outputting a second

detection signal, the first detection signal being larger than the second detection signal;

wherein saidthe master processing unit estimates saida signature appropriate number

(SAN) of rake receivers for receiving the transmitted signal according to the qualities of saidthe

first detection signals and the second detection signalintegrates said recovered signals into a

eompound signal and assigns the transmitted signal received by the second rake receivers when

there are not enough first rake receivers in the first processing unit.

2. (Currently Amended) The base stationdevice of claim 1, wherein-saidthe master

processing unit further comprising:

a distributor for receiving saidthe first and second detection signals from saidthe first and

second processing units, and estimating said appropriate number SAN;

a master combiner connected with saidthe distributor and saidthe plurality of processing

units, the master combiner receiving saida plurality of recovered signals of saidthe first rake

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receivers <u>and/or the second rake receivers</u> and combining <u>saidthe</u> recovered signals into <u>saida</u> compound signal.

3 (Currently Amended) The <u>base station</u>device of claim 2, wherein said plurality of processing units further comprising:

a the first processor, comprising comprises R1 first rake receivers;

a-the second processor, comprising comprises R2 second rake receivers;

wherein\_, said-rake-receivers within said first processor and said second processor are assigned selectively for said transmitted signal-receiving by said distributor, and the method of assigning comprises:

when SAN is smaller than R1, the number R1 of the first rake receivers are assigned for receiving the transmitted signal within said first processor that equals to said SAN are employed;

when said SAN is larger than R1,—butand smaller than (R1+R2), saidthe R1 first rake receivers within saidthe first processor and (SAN-R1) second rake receivers within saidthe second processor are employed assigned for receiving the transmitted signal employed;

when said SAN is larger the than (R1+R2), said the distributor searches rake receivers located within other processing unit units for assigning.

- 4. (Currently Amended) The <u>base stationdevice</u> of claim 2, wherein <u>saidthe</u> distributor selects <u>a the first processing unit with high priority, saidthe first processing unit having better quality of its detection signal.</u>
- 5. (Currently Amended) The <u>base stationdevice</u> of claim 1, <u>wherein saidthe first</u> processing unit <u>further comprising comprises</u>:
- a combiner connecting with saidthe first rake receivers, saidthe combiner receiving saidthe recovered signals and integrating recovered signals which originated from the same source, then outputting to saidthe master processing unit.

6. (Currently Amended) The base station device of claim 1, wherein said the first detecting

unit is a matched filter.

7. (Currently Amended) A flexible distribution-method for assigning rake receivers for

distributing rake receivers to achieve an optimal usage of rake receivers within a base station,

while utilizing saidthe base station to receive receiving a transmitted signal of from a mobile

station, and outputting a compound signal to a posterior circuit, the distribution-architecture for

rake receiver of saidthe base station comprises comprising a plurality of first processing

unitsunit, wherein eachthe first processing unit further comprises comprising a plurality of first

rake receivers, the second processing unit further comprising a plurality of second rake

receiversand a master processing unit, saidthe flexible distribution-method for rake receiver

comprises the following steps comprising:

A: receiving saidthe transmitted signal by saidthe first processing unit and the second

processing unitbase station;

B: estimating a signature acknowledge number (SAN) of rake receivers by saidthe

master processing unit according to the quality of saidthe transmitted signal signals received by

the first processing unit and the second processing unit, the transmitted signal received by the

first processing unit being larger than the transmitted signal received by the second processing

unit processing units;

C: <u>assigning the transmitted signal received by the second rake receivers when there</u>

are not enough first rake receivers in the first processing unitdetermining whether the total

number of rake receivers within every currently operable processing units is enough according to

said signature acknowledge number, if yes, then execute step E, if not, then execute step D.;

D: adjusting the number of operating processing units according to said-signature

acknowledge number;

E: integrating said signals received by said operating rake receivers with said master

processing unit and outputting said compound signal to said posterior circuit and repeating from

step-A.

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8. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 7, wherein saidthe SAN is related to quality

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of transmitted signals which are received by saidthe processing units.

9. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 7, wherein saidthe step B further

comprising:

B1: Evaluating quality of saidthe transmitted signal received by every the first

processing unit and the second processing unit;

B2: Arranging a sequence for selecting processing units according to quality of

saidthe transmitted signal received.

10. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 9, wherein said step D further

comprising comprises:

D1: Determining a first parameter as the number of rake receivers that are provided by

the first processing unit in said sequence,

D2: Checking whether the SAN is larger than said first parameter or not; if yes, then

execute D3, otherwise execute D4;

D3: Selecting another processing unit according to said sequence, and add an-a second

parameter with the number of rake receivers which can be provided by thereof; following by the

execution of D2;

D4: Among said processing units selected, only the last processing unit in the

selective sequence employs the difference between the SAN and the a master parameter as the

number of rake receivers it provided provides, the other processing units being selected provides

provide all the rake receivers that it can provide.